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Mr. Bryan Finney, CEO  
Democracy Live, Inc.  
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Dear Mr. Finney:

On Monday, October 16, 2017, the California Secretary of State Office of Voting Systems Technology Assessment (OVSTA) received a request for Administrative Approval, pursuant to California Elections Code section 19291, to apply fixes to the certified Secure Select 1.0 Remote Accessible Vote by Mail system. The following bugs were discovered:

1. When a voter selects a write-in, leaves the value blank, and then selects something else, Secure Select is not clearing the selection. This causes the selection count to be off which causes incorrect over-vote warnings.
2. The Secure Select interface instructions, as translated in Chinese, need improvement.
3. When a voter types in a write-in selection, a noticeable "lag" or key repeater issue occurs.

California Elections Code section 19291 precludes a remote accessible vote by mail system that has been approved by the Secretary of State from being changed or modified until the Secretary of State has determined the change "does not impair its accuracy and efficiency...."

If the Secretary of State determines the change or modification does not impair the accuracy or efficiency of the voting system, the Secretary of State may administratively approve the proposed change or modification.

On October 17, 2017, SLI Compliance, a Division of Gaming Laboratories International, LLC and also an Elections Assistance Commission (EAC) certified VSTL, performed a source code review and functional regression testing on Secure Select to determine that the aforementioned bugs were remedied. SLI Compliance determined the fixes applied mitigated the bugs found and does not impair the system's accuracy and efficiency.

The system has been modified, and thus warrants a version number change. As such, the Democracy Live Secure Select 1.0 system certified on October 11, 2017, is now version 1.1.2. Based on the testing performed by SLI Compliance, on October 17, 2017, the Administrative Approval is granted for Secure Select 1.1.2. All other conditions of the Democracy Live Secure Select 1.0 certification, dated October 11, 2017, remain in effect.

Sincerely,

Susan Lapsley  
Deputy Secretary of State, HAVA and Counsel